



# **Real World ESM**

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# ● The One Objective for this Presentation



- ◆ Provide you with a few Tips, **based upon Real World Experience**, that will help you to be successful with Net Centric Computing (SOA)

# ● Topics



- ◆ Brief background on AmberPoint
- ◆ ESM – What it is, What it should be



- ◆ Q&A

# ● **AmberPoint – (very) Brief Background**



- ◆ Market Leader, Enterprise Service Management – ESM (aka Runtime Governance or SOA Management) COTS products
- ◆ ESM product of choice:
  - DISA NCES Program
  - NGA GeoScout Program
  - Multiple initiatives and programs within the Intelligence Communities
- ◆ Investors include Motorola and SAP
- ◆ Resold or OEMed by Microsoft, BEA, Tibco, IBM, Software AG, Iona, iWay, others

# ● Starting Point for Discussion



- ◆ SOA – High Complexity, Many Moving Parts
- ◆ One Common (and correct) Response has been to Standardize SOA Infrastructure via a Framework
- ◆ Some organizations who have taken this approach include



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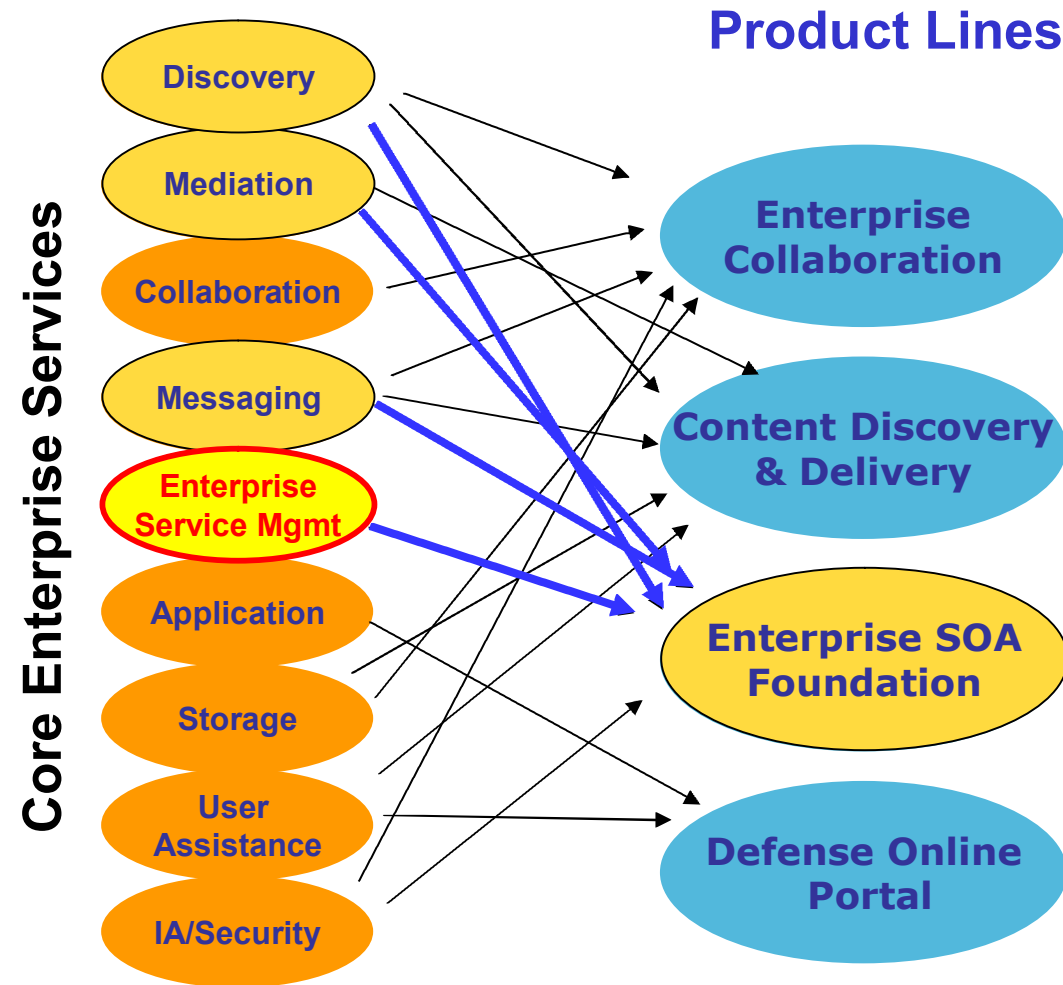


And...

- **Also Developing Frameworks**



# ● NCES Defines Core Enterprise Services



- ◆ NCES defines nine core enterprise services grouped into four product lines
- ◆ NCES is a set of standards and specifications enabling data producers and users to share information at the right place and right time
- ◆ NCES uses centrally managed collaborative governance to provide the services to the DoD
- ◆ SOA Foundation + Security is DISA's "Framework"

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# ● Most People perceive ESM to be...



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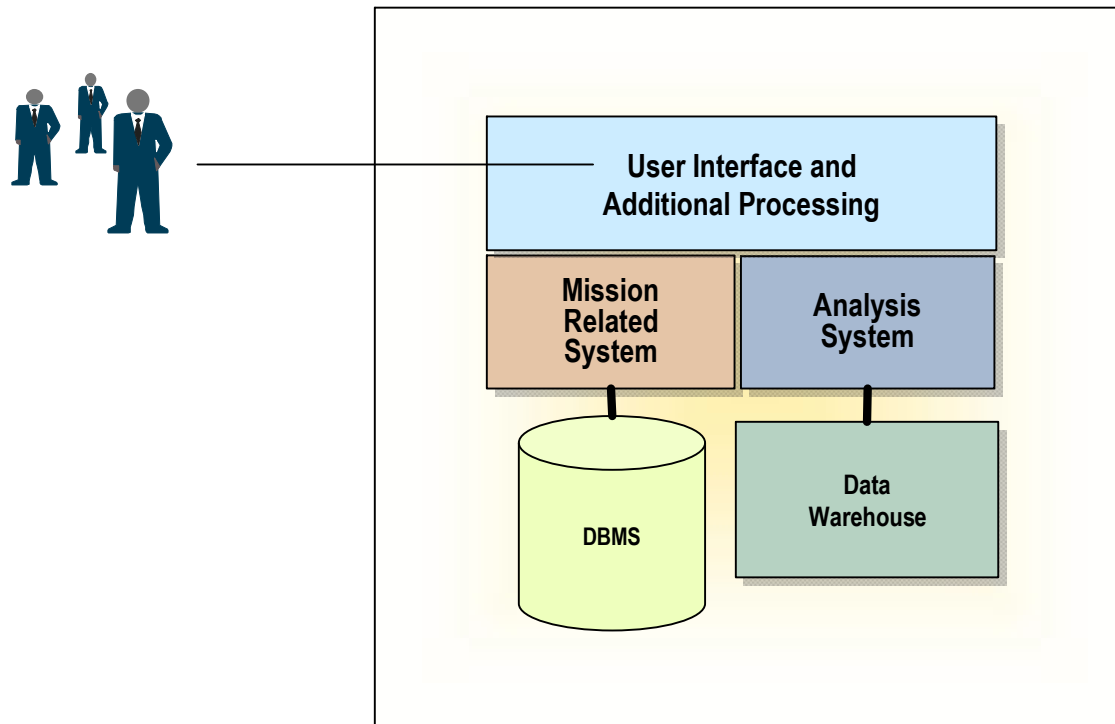
**Monitor, Measure, Report, Alert =  
Traditional Management, Passive Activities**

## ● Tip #1



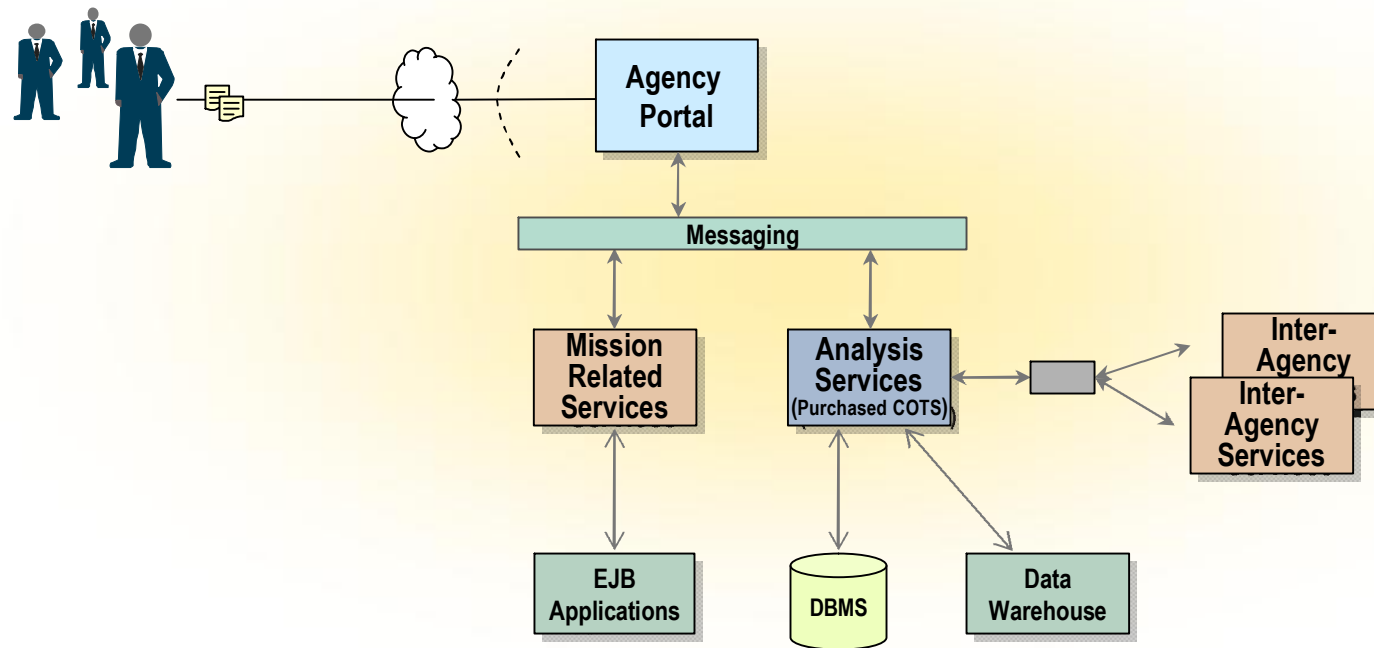
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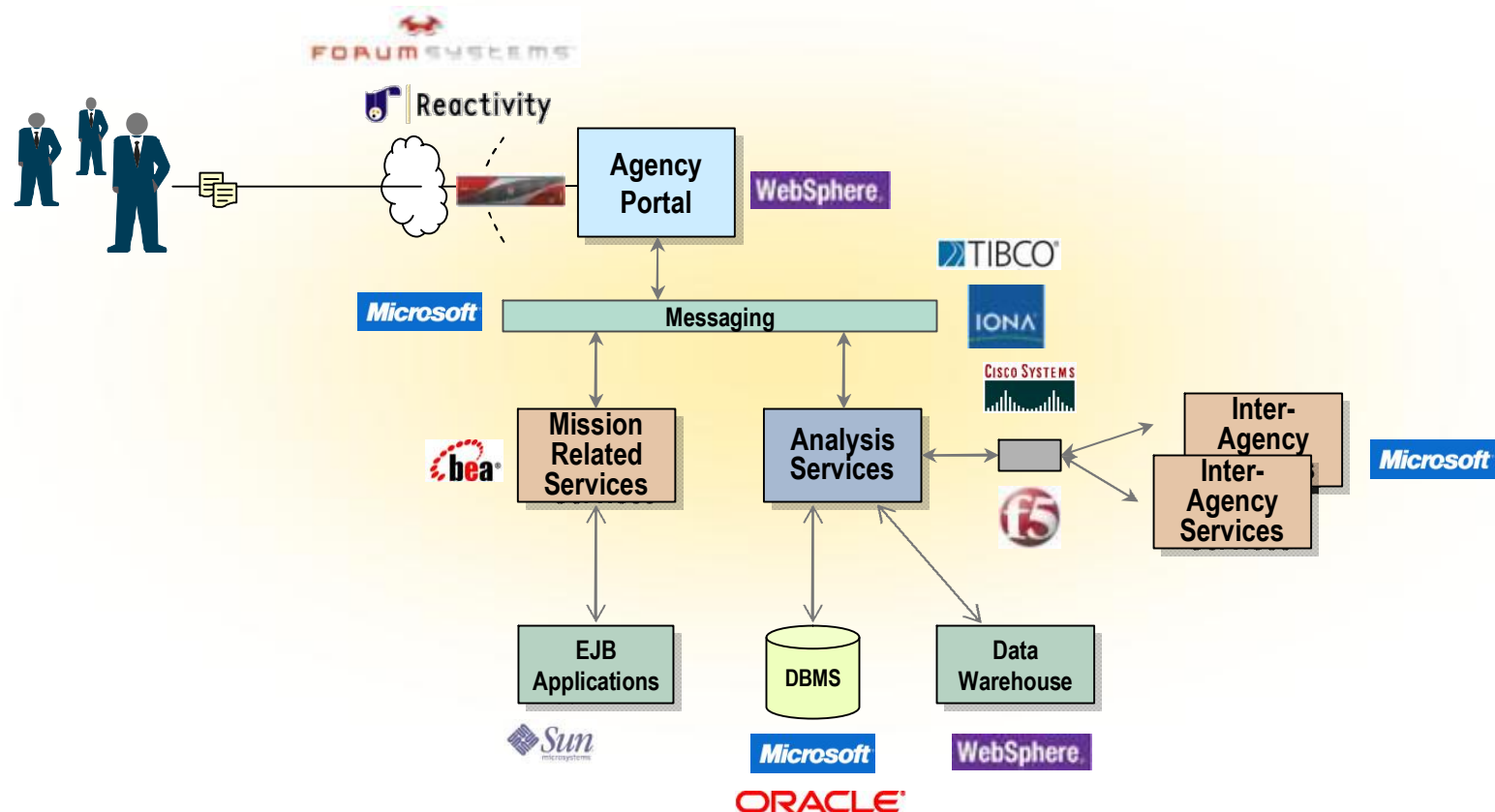
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# ● Loosely Coupled (Net Centric) Architecture



Issues occur within and between Systems

# ● Net Centric Complexity



Issues occur within and between Systems  
Over Heterogeneous Technologies

## ● New Types of Problems



◆ Everything Seems to be Up & Running (Green Lights), but the users are calling the Help Desk claiming that they aren't getting service

◆ Non-Responses and Corruptions

◆ Debugging Distribution

◆ Success =  
(Architecture)

◆ Security - Information Security

**Application Issues, not Operations Issues**

that are Shared across dozens

## ● Tip #1



- ◆ If you use Traditional Management Tools and Techniques alone, you will fail because Traditional Management is an Operations Problem and SOA Management is an Application Problem
- ◆ As a Result, the SOA Management System will be Monitored by your Operations Staff but Used by your Development and Tier II/Tier III Staffs to solve problems that they would otherwise have to write complex code to fix.

# ● Traditional Management vs. SOA Management



## Traditional Management

- ◆ Focused on Hardware, Network, Underlying Infrastructure
- ◆ Passive
- ◆ Quantitative

## SOA Management

- ◆ Focused on the Messages as they Flow between Components
- ◆ Active
- ◆ Qualitative

- ❑ The Whole Objective of a SOA System is to deliver the right messages to the right people at the right time
- ❑ From the User's perspective, the Message IS the Application
- ❑ Thus, to effectively manage a SOA-based System, you have to **Mine Information Out of the Messages and use that Information to Improve the overall Quality of the User's Experience**



# ● Mine Information Out of the Messages?



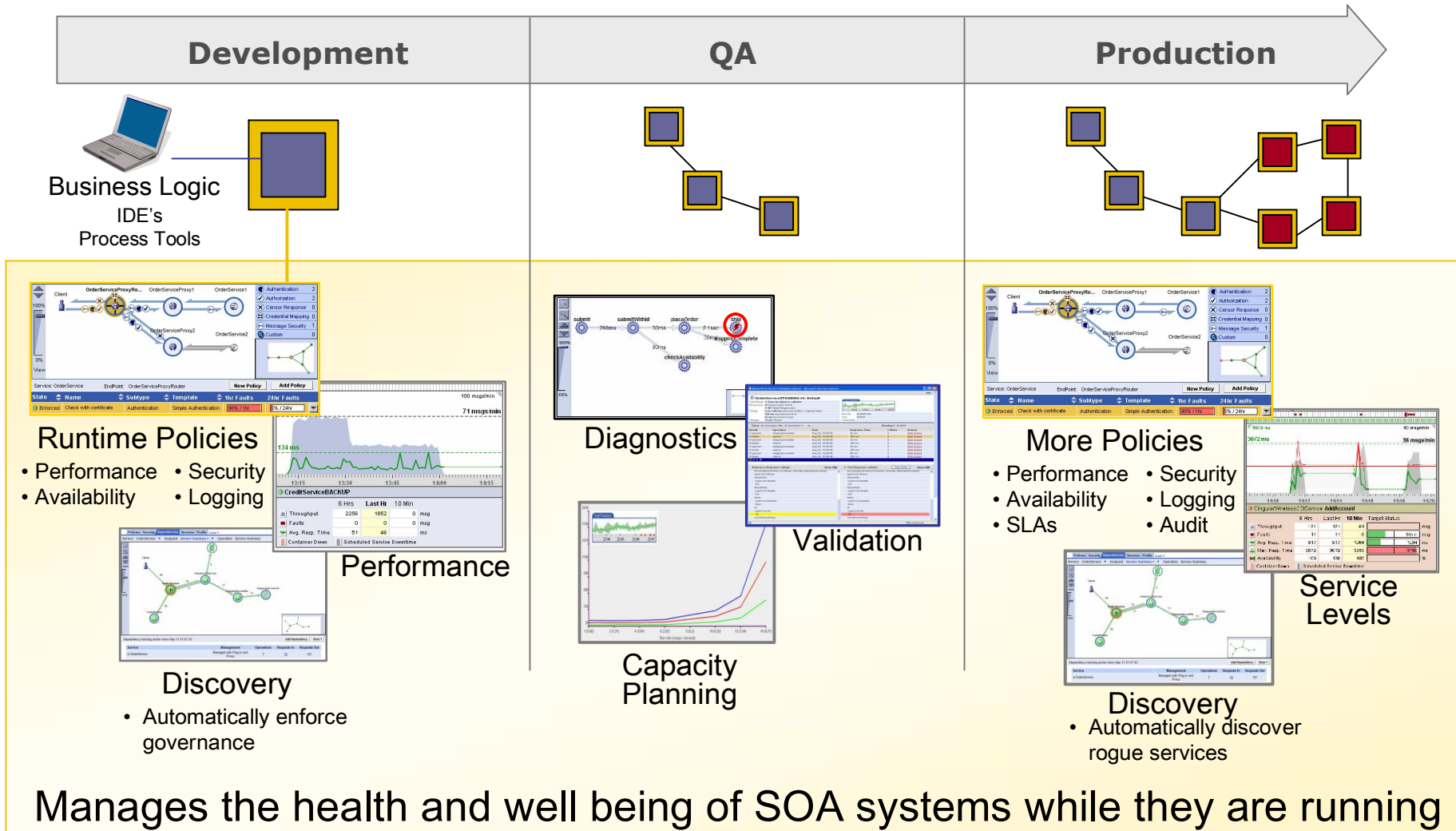
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# ● ESM Isn't just for Production



ESM simplifies real-time visibility and control at Each Stage of the SOA Lifecycle



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# ● Application Level Problems Solved by ESM



## ◆ Two Types

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- Proactively Fix It

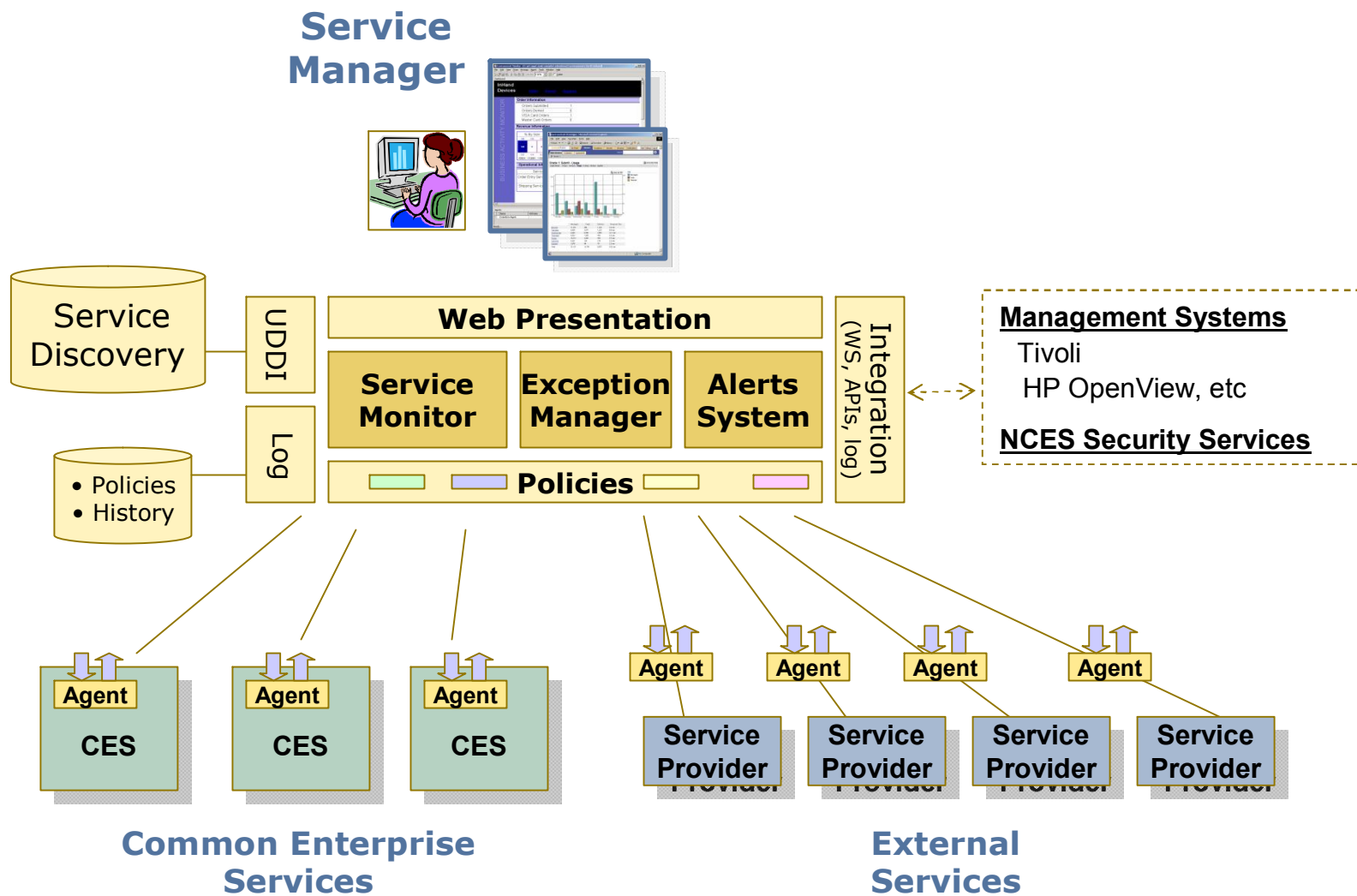
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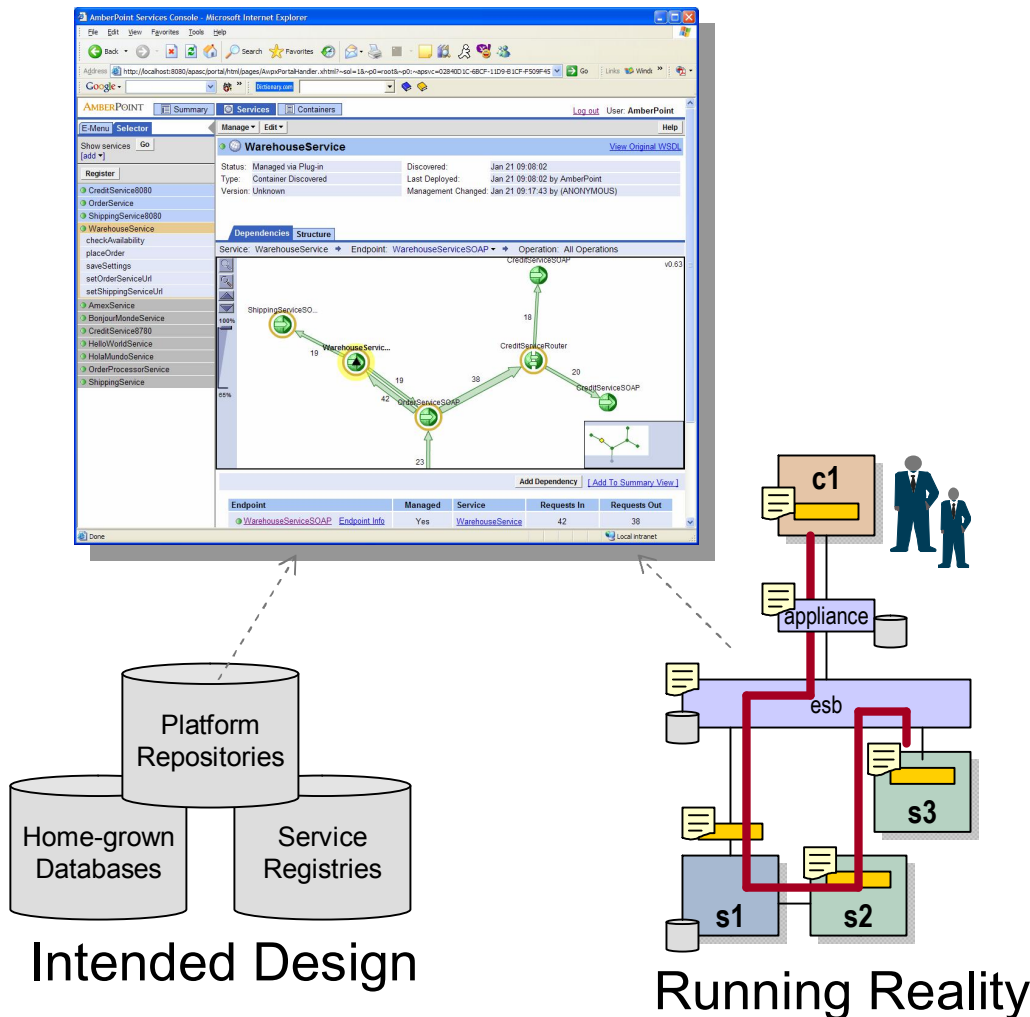
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- Scalability – Dynamic Expansion or Throttling

# ● DISA ESM Services Model



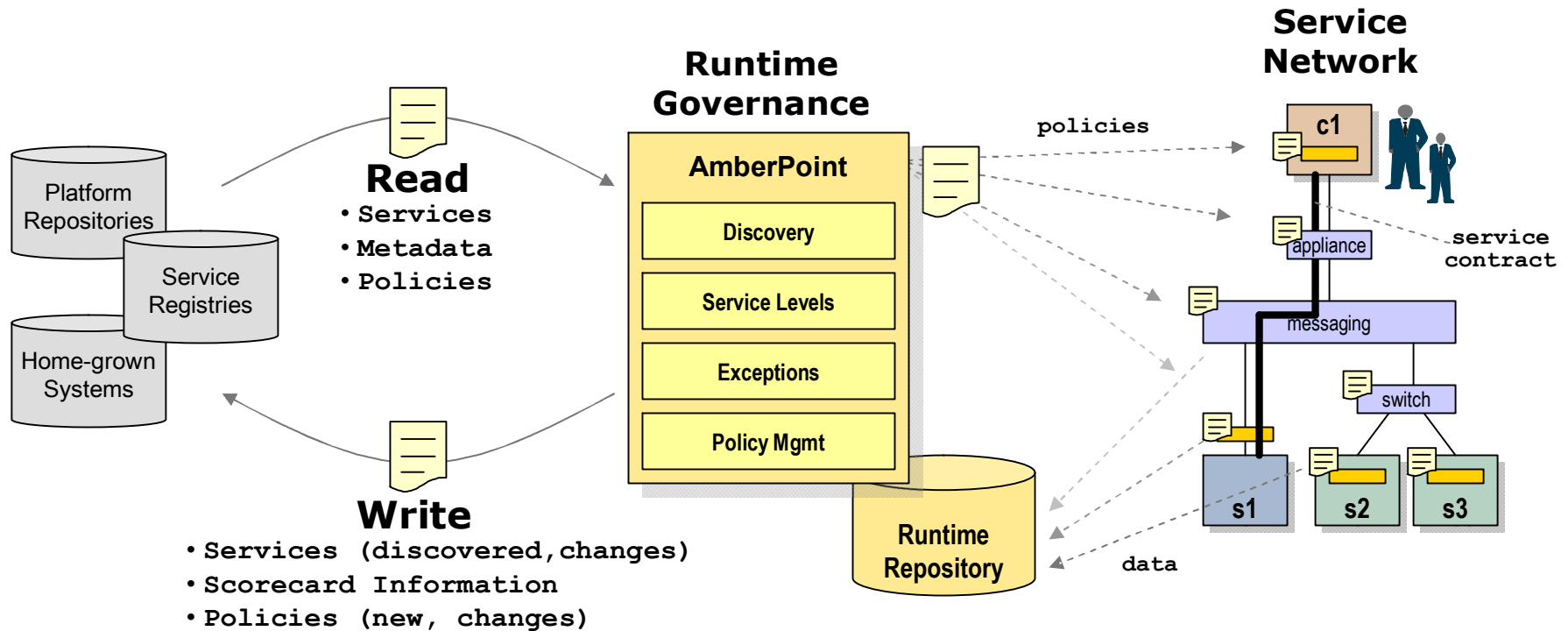
# ● Runtime Discovery and Visualization



- ◆ Dynamic discovery of services and supporting components “in the wild”
  - Web Services
  - Databases
  - JAX-RPC and JMS messaging
  - EJBs
  - ESBs
- ◆ Automatically tracks transactions
  - Non-invasive; no message modifications
  - Feeds impact analysis, error detection, etc.
- ◆ In most environments, no single source of information is always right

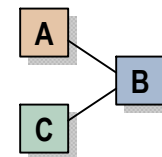
Ensures a complete view of the SOA environment

# Automatic Synchronization with Design-time Governance



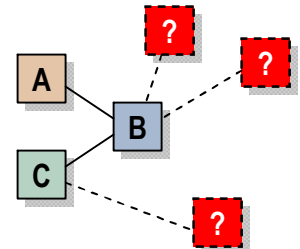
- ◆ Publishes
  - Changes to endpoints and policies
  - Scorecard metrics
  - Dependencies
- ◆ Discovers discrepancy between intentions (design/dev) and reality (runtime)

## Design



vs.

## Reality



Supports federated information exchange



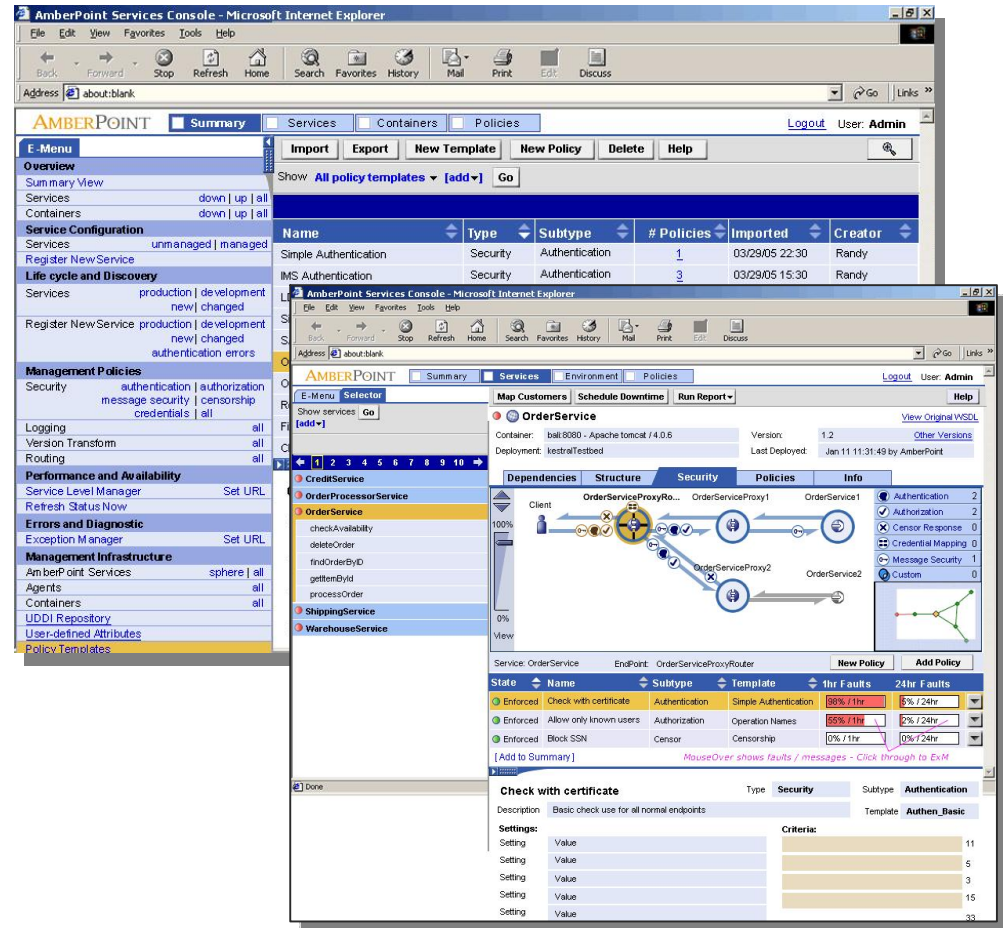
# ● Customizable Policy Library

## ◆ Pre-built library of most commonly used runtime policies

- ◆ Instrumentation
- ◆ Content-based Policies
- ◆ Versioning
- ◆ Authentication – certificates, credentials, SAML, etc
- ◆ Authorization
- ◆ Censorship
- ◆ Credential Mapping
- ◆ Crypto – Signatures & Encryption
- ◆ Throttling
- ◆ Quality of Service
  - Performance
  - Availability
  - Throughput
- ◆ Service Level Agreements
- ◆ Exception Handling
- ◆ Validation
- ◆ Message Control

## ◆ User-extensible

- Enterprise-wide compliance
- Application- and Industry-specific policies



- ◆ Better control by eliminating “random” policy definitions
- ◆ Better reliability by using only pre-tested policies
- ◆ Reduces cost by minimizing time and skills to define new policies



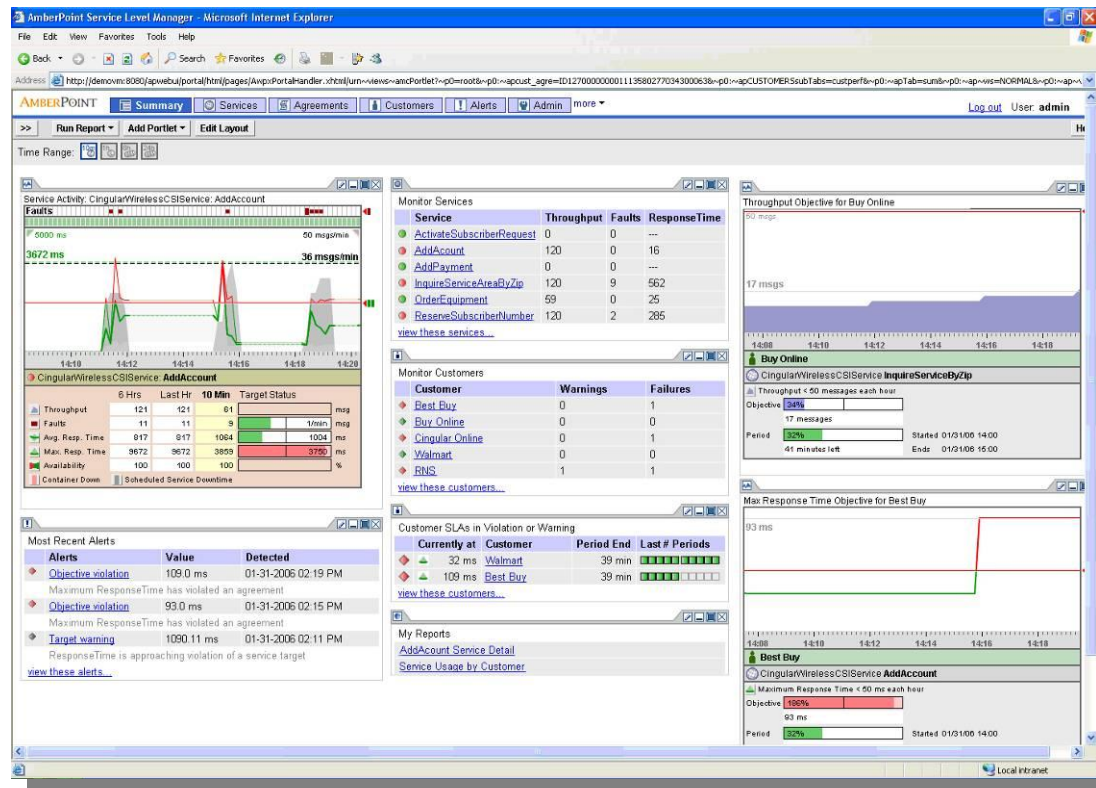
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## Service- and Business-level Visibility



Service View

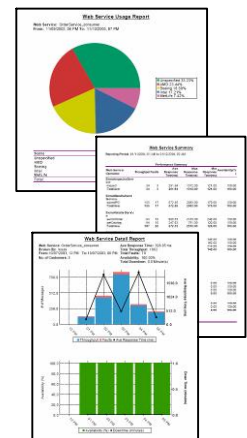
Alerts



User Summary and Objectives

Historical Reporting

- ◆ Enforces agreements based on business criteria
  - "Gold" users, Accounting systems at the end of quarter, etc.
  - Multiple objectives per agreement, flexible calendars, scheduled downtimes, fixed and sliding time windows
- ◆ Granular visibility – groups, users, services, operations
- ◆ Preventative and corrective actions



# Exception Management

## Automatic transaction tracking and diagnosis

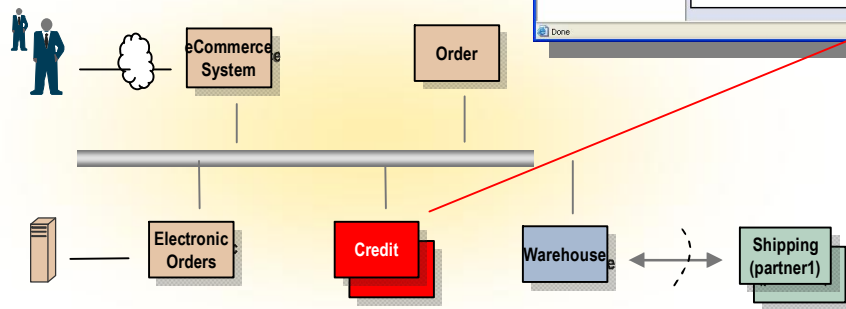
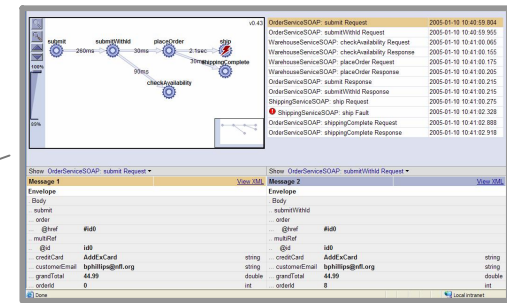
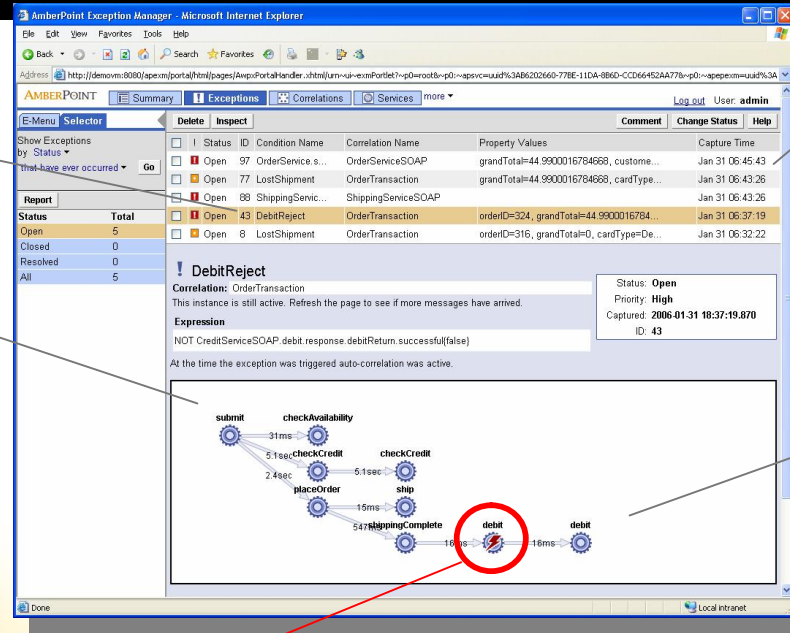
“Mission Specific” Exceptions

Process Flow

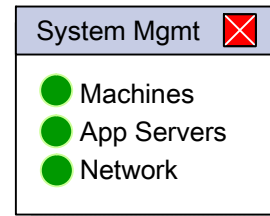
- Exception context
- Response times

Technical Faults

Drill into Exception Content & Context



Augments System-level View



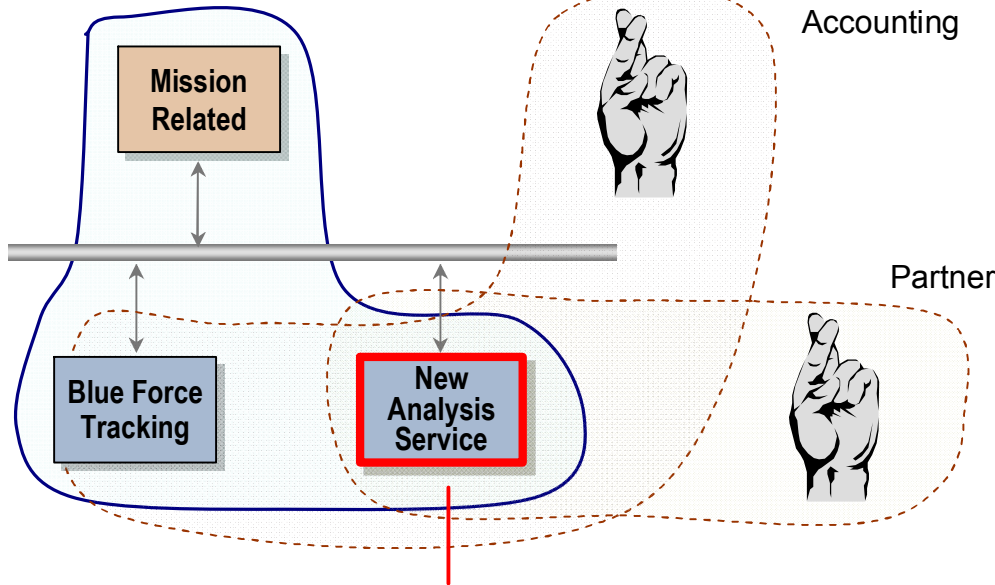
- ◆ “Business” (Mission-Specific) visibility using exception content and context
  - Unique, Mission Specific-processing failures
  - Alert when “no order confirmation within 3 minutes after completion”
- ◆ Visibility in operational issues – services, transactions, operations, messages
  - SOAP faults, database errors, etc.

# SOA Validation

## Safe environment to validate changes before deployment



Order Entry

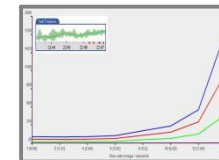


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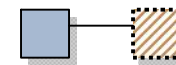
- Functionality
- Policy Changes

Capacity Planning



- Baseline Performance
- Capacity Changes

Simulation



- Simulate supporting services

<b>Functionality</b>	<i>Will changes break dependent systems?</i>
<b>Performance</b>	<i>Acceptable performance and throughput?</i>
<b>"What If" for Policy Changes</b>	<i>Will new policy (security, routing, etc.) break dependent applications?</i>
<b>"What If" for Capacity Changes</b>	<i>What will happen if usage doubles? Triples?</i>

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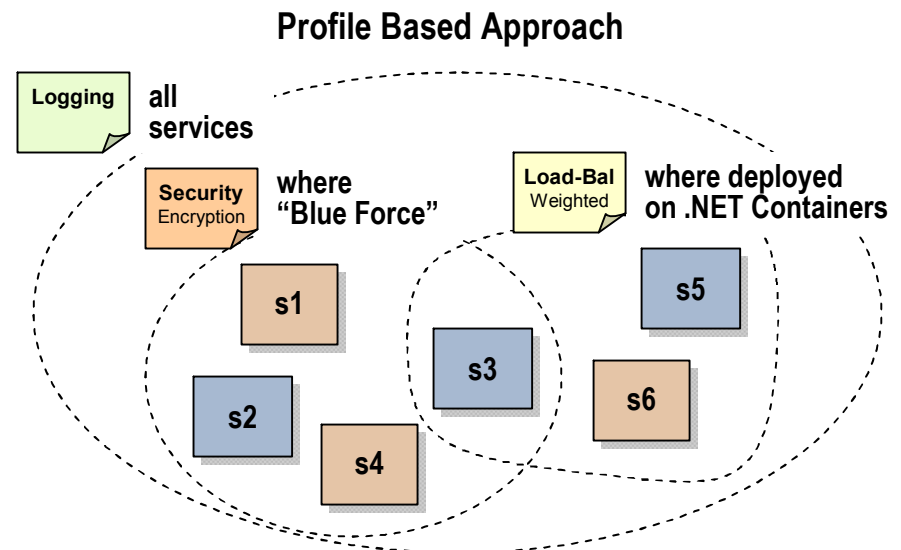
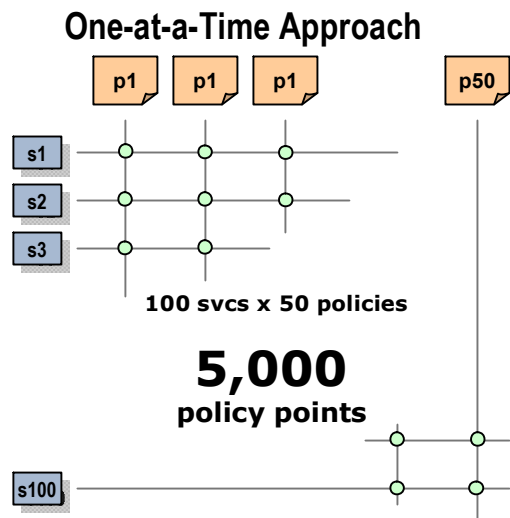
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# ● Policies Replace Coding

- ◆ Based upon WS-Policy, a Standard Way to Deploy Instructions for Services
- ◆ Automatically applies policies based on dynamic attributes and message content.
  - All production services
  - All services in Accounting application
  - All services deployed in .NET containers
- ◆ User-defined attributes for services, containers & policies
- ◆ Assignments are reevaluated as attributes change



- ◆ Can manage system on "autopilot" where policies are automatically assigned as appropriate.
- ◆ Eliminates production mistakes by reducing manual steps.

# Security

## First and Last Mile Enforcement

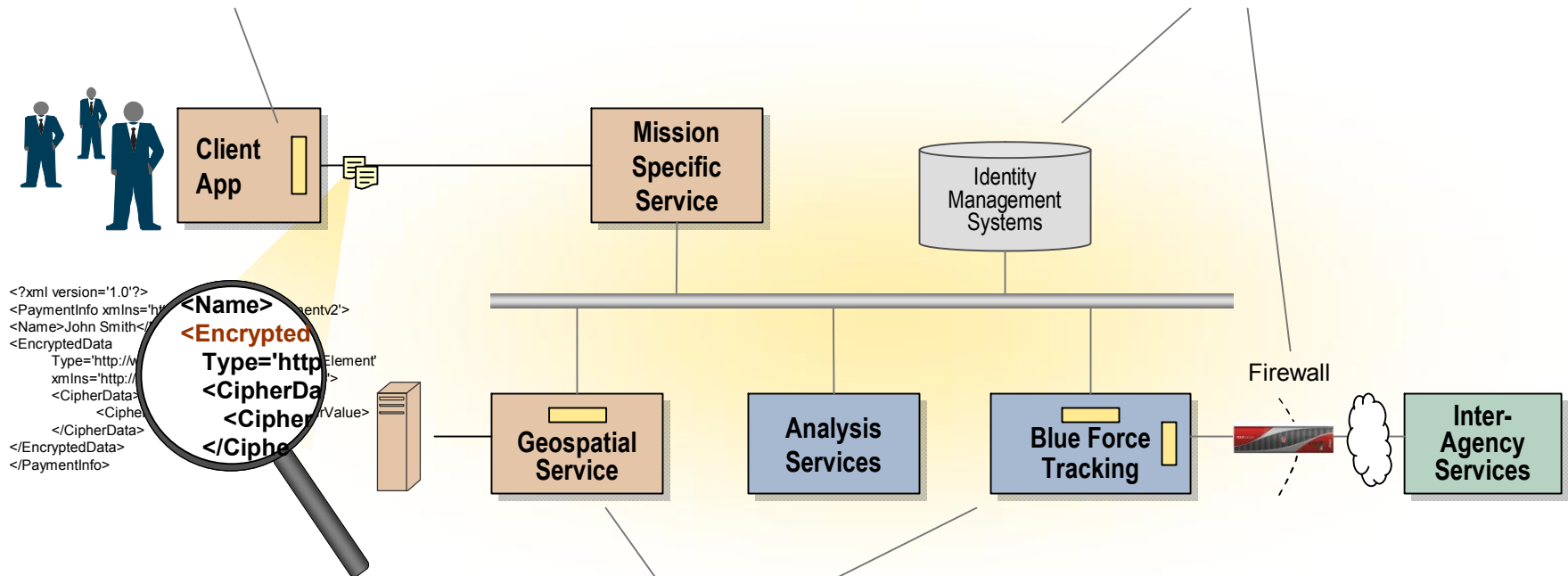


### First Mile Security

- Client-side agent
- Automatic enforcement of out-bound security

### Extensive Integration

- Identity Management Systems
- Security Appliances
- App Server / ESB / OS Security



### Last Mile Security

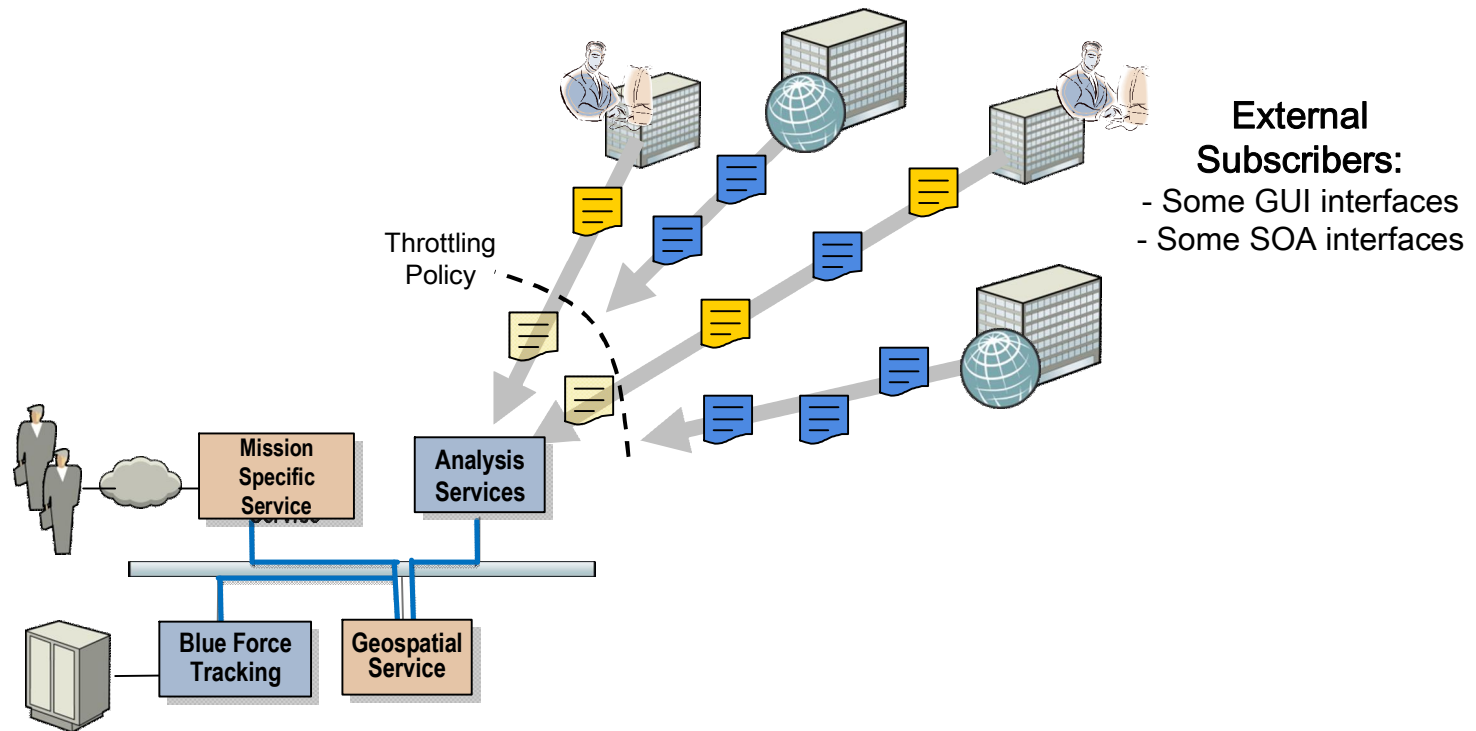
- Plug-ins provide endpoint protection
- No ability to circumvent

### Policy Library

- Authentication
- Authorization
- Credential Mapping
- Censorship
- Crypto

# ● Automatic Throttling

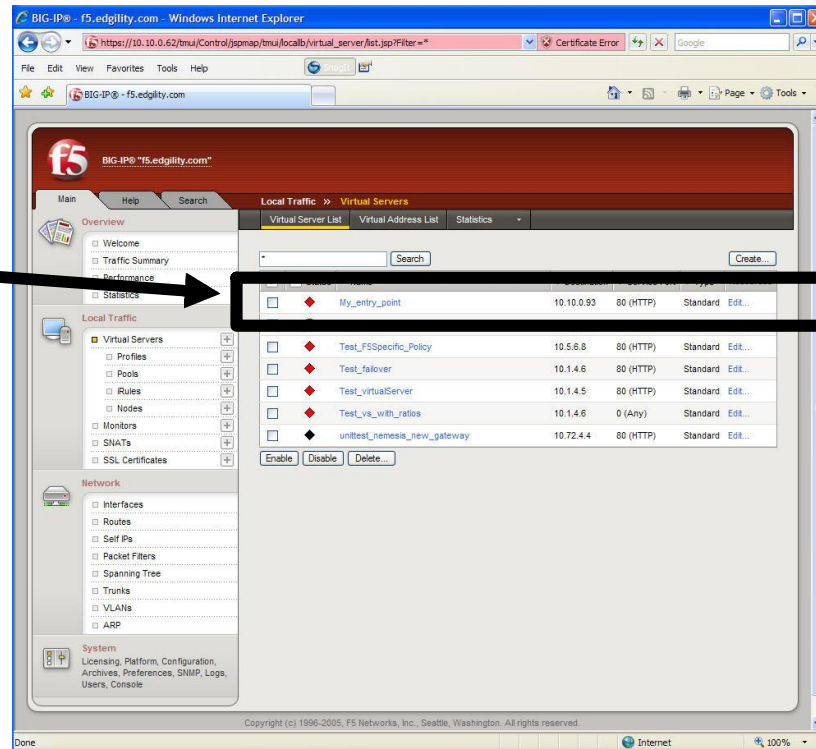
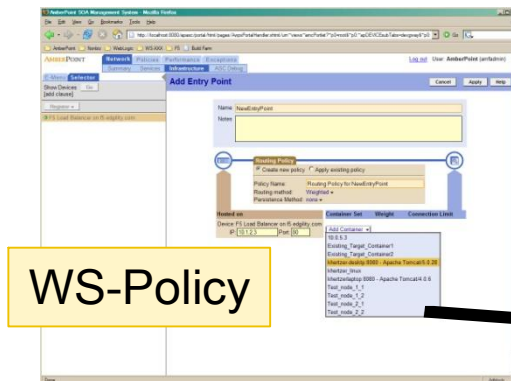
## Protects against uncontrolled demand



- ◆ Regulates use based on user, types of requests, time of day, etc.
- ◆ Protects legacy systems from runaway SOA use



# ● Dynamic Capacity Expansion



- ◆ Add Additional Service Replicates based upon SLA Thresholds
- ◆ WS-Policy routing / failover / load balancing policies to Hardware Products like F5, Cisco, others or Software ESBs like Microsoft BizTalk, others

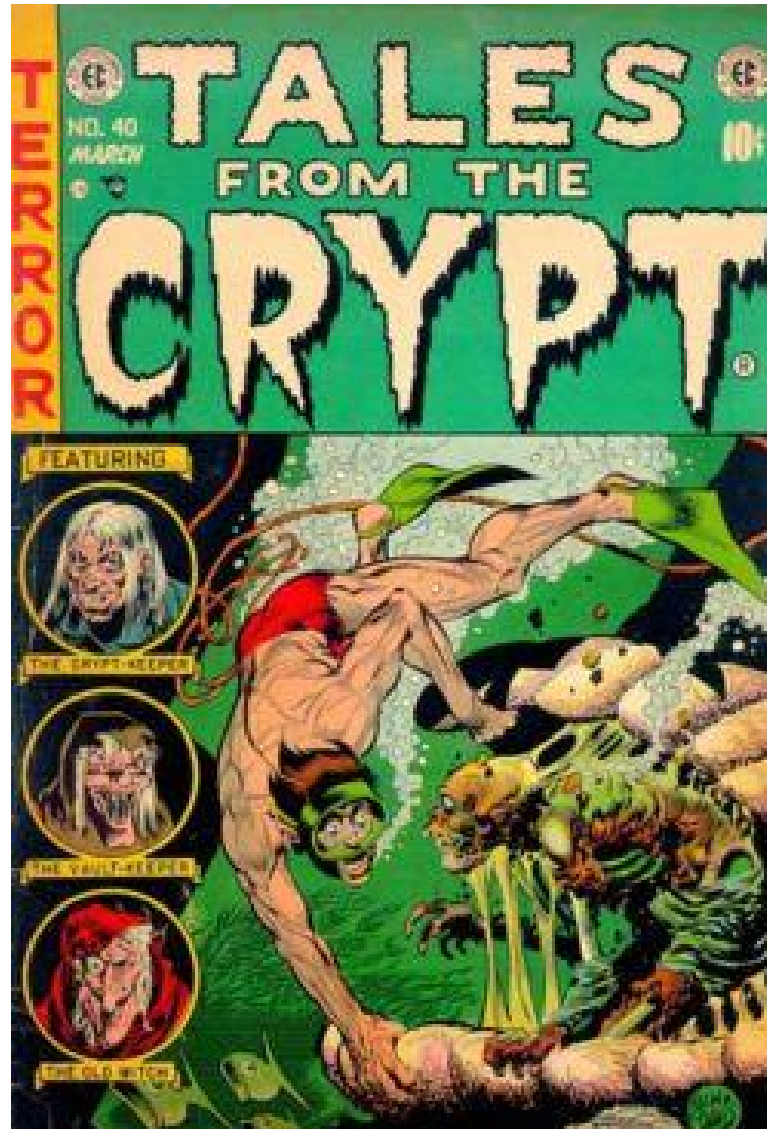


# ● ESM Summary



- ◆ ESM provides Traditional Measuring and Monitoring as you would expect
- ◆ But it also provides a number of “Non-Traditional” capabilities such as
  - Visualization
  - Synchronization with Registries
  - Root Cause Analysis and Distributed Debugging
  - Validation – Simulation for testing Shared Components in Isolation
  - Security
  - Prioritization
  - Scalability – Dynamic Expansion or Throttling

- The Obligatory Hook....



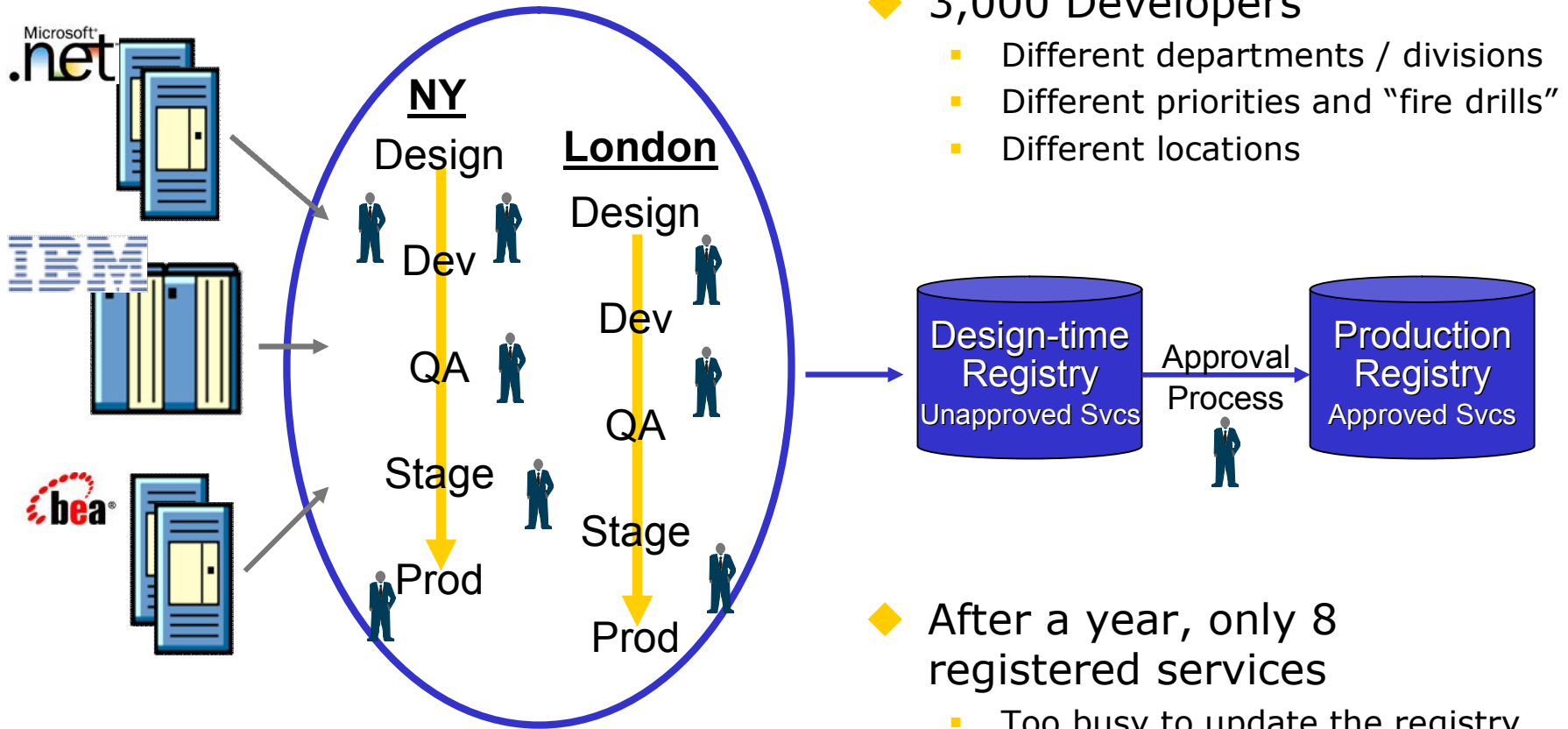
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# Lehman Brothers

## Making enterprise-wide SOA governance pain free



### ◆ 3,000 Developers

- Different departments / divisions
- Different priorities and "fire drills"
- Different locations

### ◆ After a year, only 8 registered services

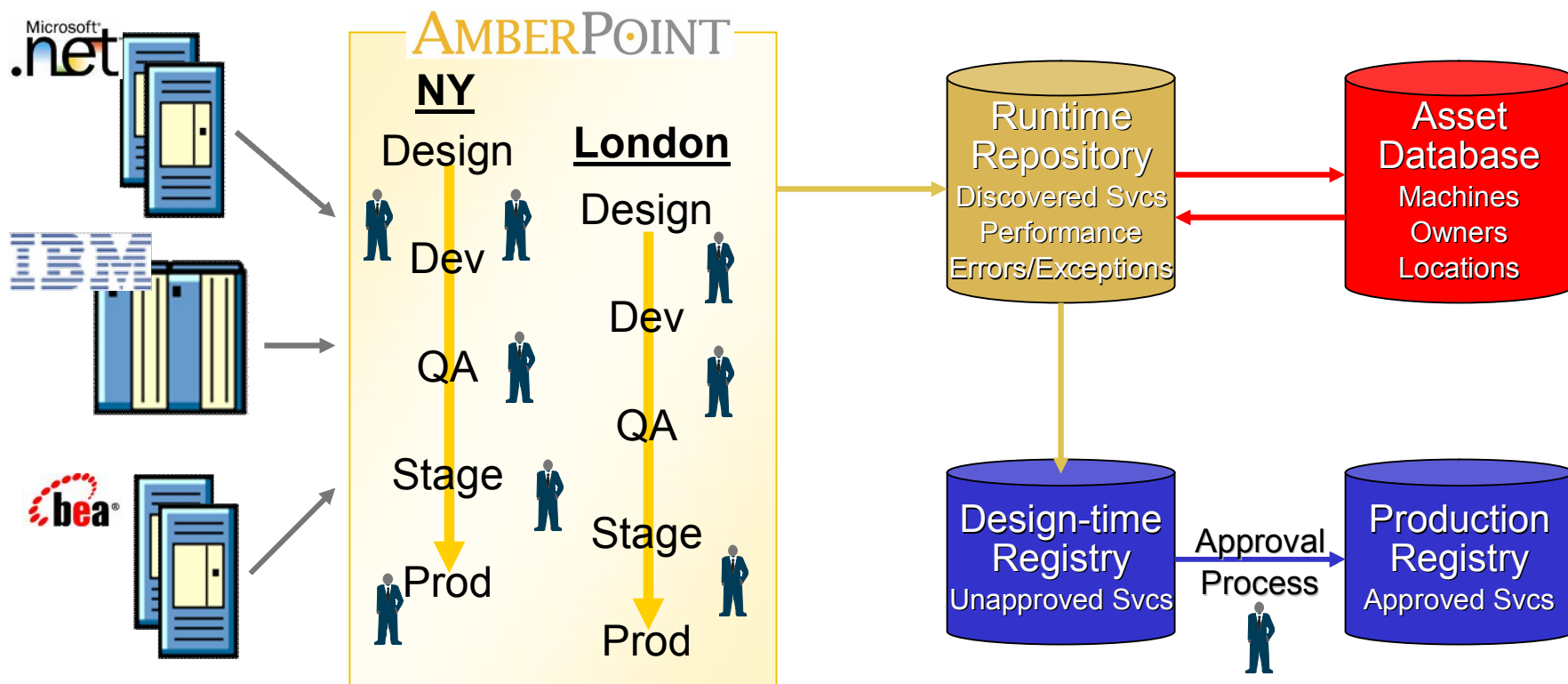
- Too busy to update the registry
- No value to the developers

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# Using Automatic Runtime Governance to Achieve Design-time Governance



- ◆ Uses AmberPoint's automatic discovery of running services and dependencies at each stage of their SOA lifecycle
  - Synchronizes with home-grown Asset DB and Design-time Repository

# ● Service Detail Screen



- ◆ When service was discovered
- ◆ How long service has been up
- ◆ Type of service
- ◆ Link to WSDL
- ◆ Metadata from Asset DB (42 fields)
- ◆ All data can be used in policy definitions

**AtomsWebServices**

Type: Web Service  
Management Monitored by Observer  
Up Since: Jul 03 06:26:13

**Discovered Info**

Original WSDL: <http://njwlfdev04.lehman.com:12007/ATOMSWS/AtomsWebServices?wsdl>  
Life Cycle Phase: Development  
Version: -  
Up since: Jul 03 06:26:13  
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UDDI Identifier: -

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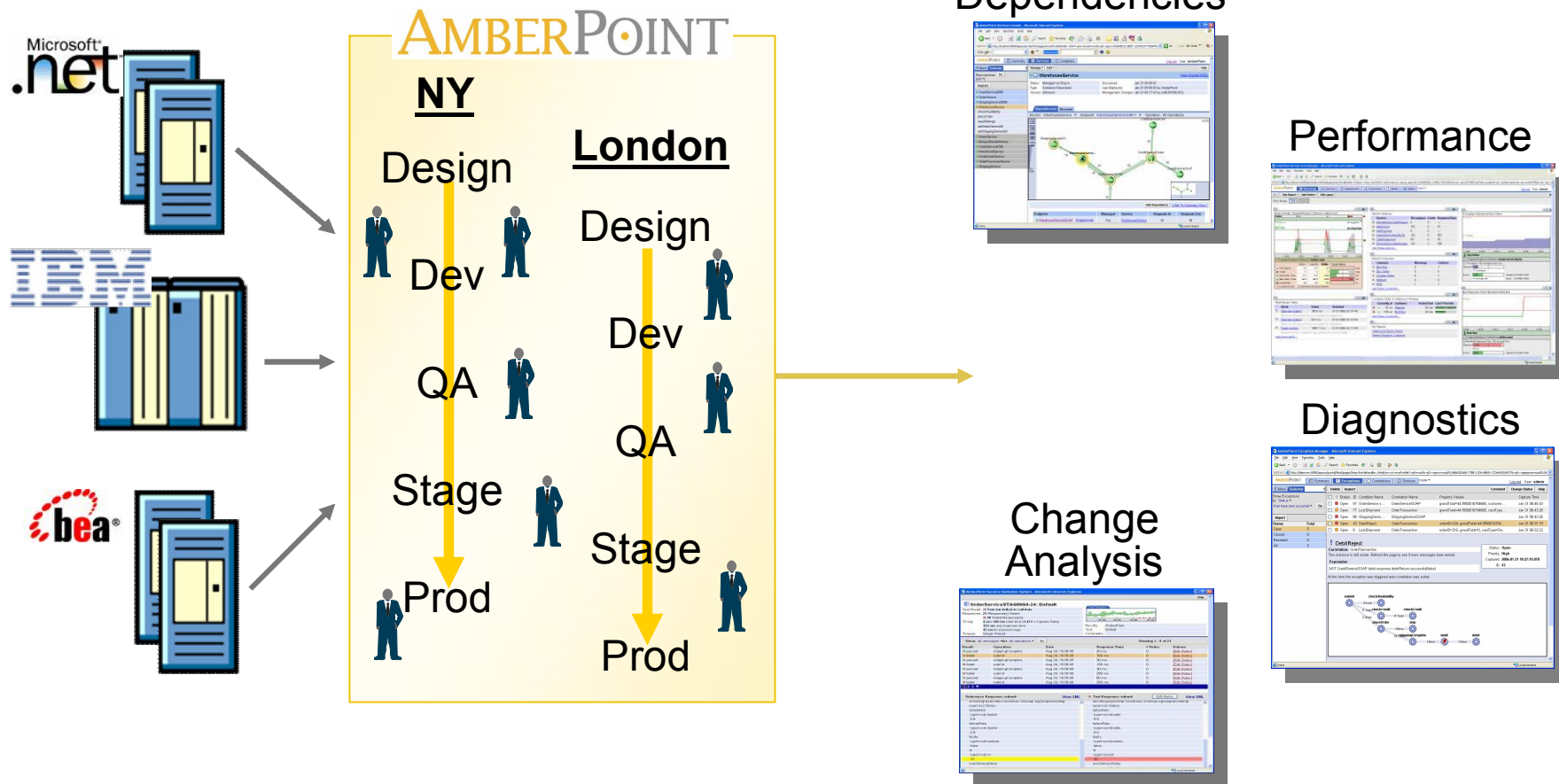
Origin: Observer Discovered  
Management Monitored by Observer  
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Last Deployed: -  
Discovered: Jun 13 14:04:06

**Asset DB Info**

Attributes:

Application Group	Equities Technology
Category	Infrastructure Service
Organization	Equities
ADB Application Code	app_EquitiesTechnology
Application Name	Equities Technology Front End Weblogic Farm
Department	Equities Technology
Division	Equities
Application Owner	Anand Deshpande
Business Function	Middleware
Region	Europe
Application Type	Infrastructure Service
Application Tier	-
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P&L Name	Program Trading
P&L Number	22236
Business	sebastiano

- **"What's in it for me?" A lot.**  
Comprehensive insight without lifting a finger



- ◆ Opt-in for expanded control
  - Security, load balancing, failover, etc.



# ● Results: Visibility and Cooperation



- ◆ From only 8 registered services after previous approach to 600 registered services in first couple months
- ◆ ROI reporting visible throughout the company

Web Services in QA by Division	
run on: 7/6/2006 9:00:20AM	
Division	Services
Undefined	1
Equities	17
Fixed Income	2
Information Technology	1
Investment Management	12
Operations	3

- ◆ Runtime results automatically feed other consoles
  - JMX-based home grown system
  - Internal SOA coordination site
  - HP OpenView
- ◆ Transformed the environment to one where groups were vying to be the ones that could "cooperate the most"

## ● Tip #3

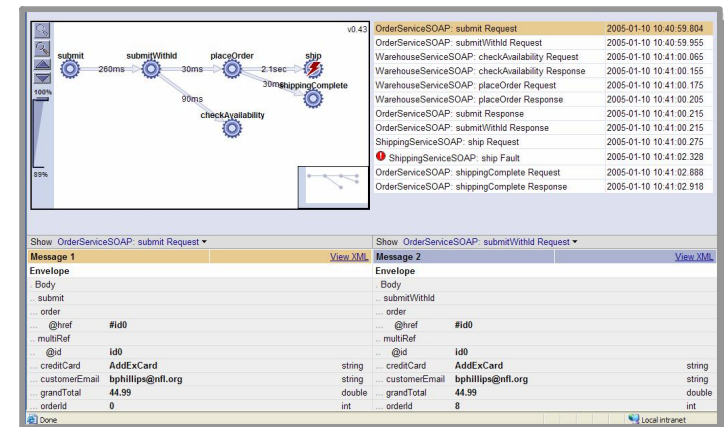


- ◆ Things will Break Differently and you won't be able to fix them the way you have been fixing them in the past

# ● Large Telecommunications Company



- ◆ Complex Order Management Process
- ◆ 65 – 100 Different Steps
- ◆ 100% Failure – Every Single Order Bombed at Some Point in the Process
- ◆ Team of 40 (expensive) Full Time Consultants
  - Digging through Logs
  - Deciphering Problems
  - Manual Resolution
- ◆ Solution - Exception Management
  - Correlate Messages into Transactions and Flows
  - Automated Alerts when Process Halts
  - All Related Messages sent to Consultant
  - Automate Resolution as Patterns Determined



# ● Zurich Insurance



- ◆ Complex, Composite Services built with Standard Development Tools and Debuggers
- ◆ Services all worked in Isolation
- ◆ When Integrated as a System, however, problems emerged
  - Some Responses Slow
  - Some Responses never Returned
  - No Pattern to Problem
  - Development team spent 3 Weeks trying to find Source
- ◆ Development Team Monitored using Exception Management Capability of ESM
  - Automatically Detected Problematic Service **within Minutes**
- ◆ Determined Java Thread Lock Issue that only occurred under Load after a certain amount of Time had passed

# ● Aegis Mortgage



- ◆ Microsoft Sharepoint Portal as a front end to Loan Processing System comprised of multiple packaged applications.
  - System Accounts for \$1.2 Billion Annually in loans
- ◆ Everything worked fine in Development and QA/Test, but Problems in Production
  - Customers would File Loan Applications but get no Responses
  - Aegis did not know about it unless the customers called them
- ◆ Potential lost revenue estimated at \$20 – 25 Million per Year
- ◆ Used ESM to Debug System While In Production
  - “Proof of Concept” at 11 PM on a Friday Night
  - Found System Timeouts, Database Driver Problems within first hour
- ◆ Paraphrased Quote from the System Architect:

*“We ... can see all the (Web Service) calls and their XML payloads for a given user's action. This is HUGE for problem resolution from the HelpDesk all the way to the Developer”.*

## ● Tip #4



- ◆ You can Now do things that you could Never Do Before, especially with Security and Mining Data in Real Time

## Financial Services

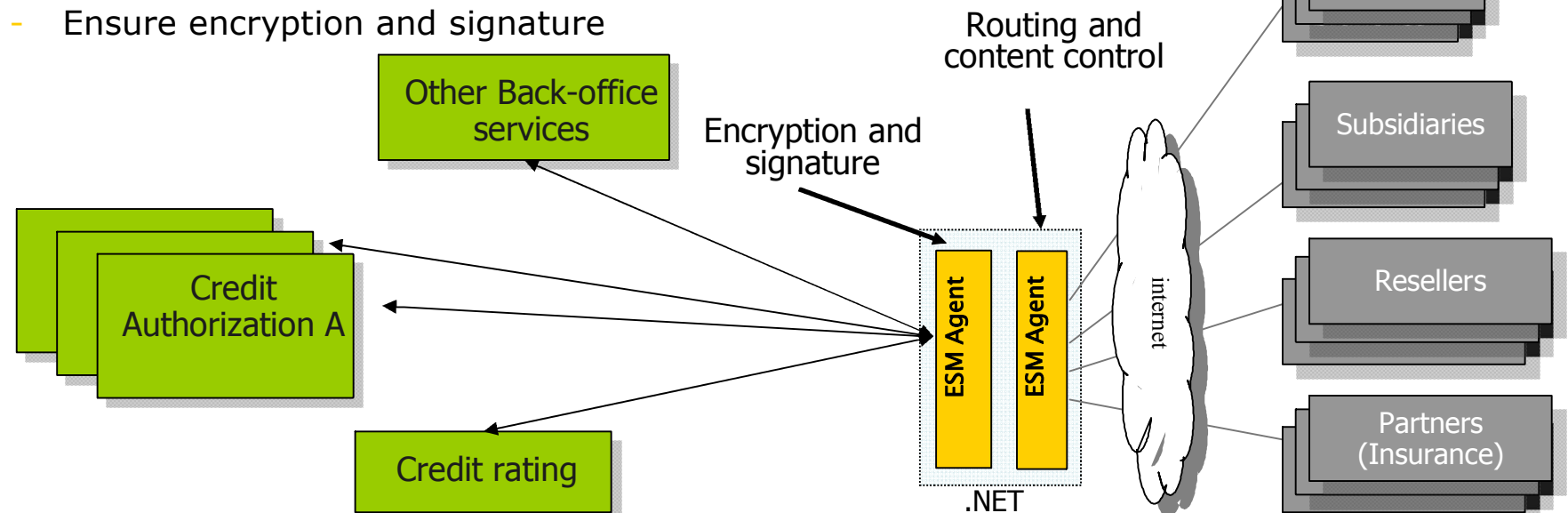
Largest Bank in Israel with \$500B assets.

### Security infrastructure for Back-office access

Credit rating and credit authorization offered to internal and external applications through Web services.

Security layer objectives:

- Control messages content to detect possible intrusions,
- Take care of basic routing to back-end services depending on changing business rule
- Ensure encryption and signature

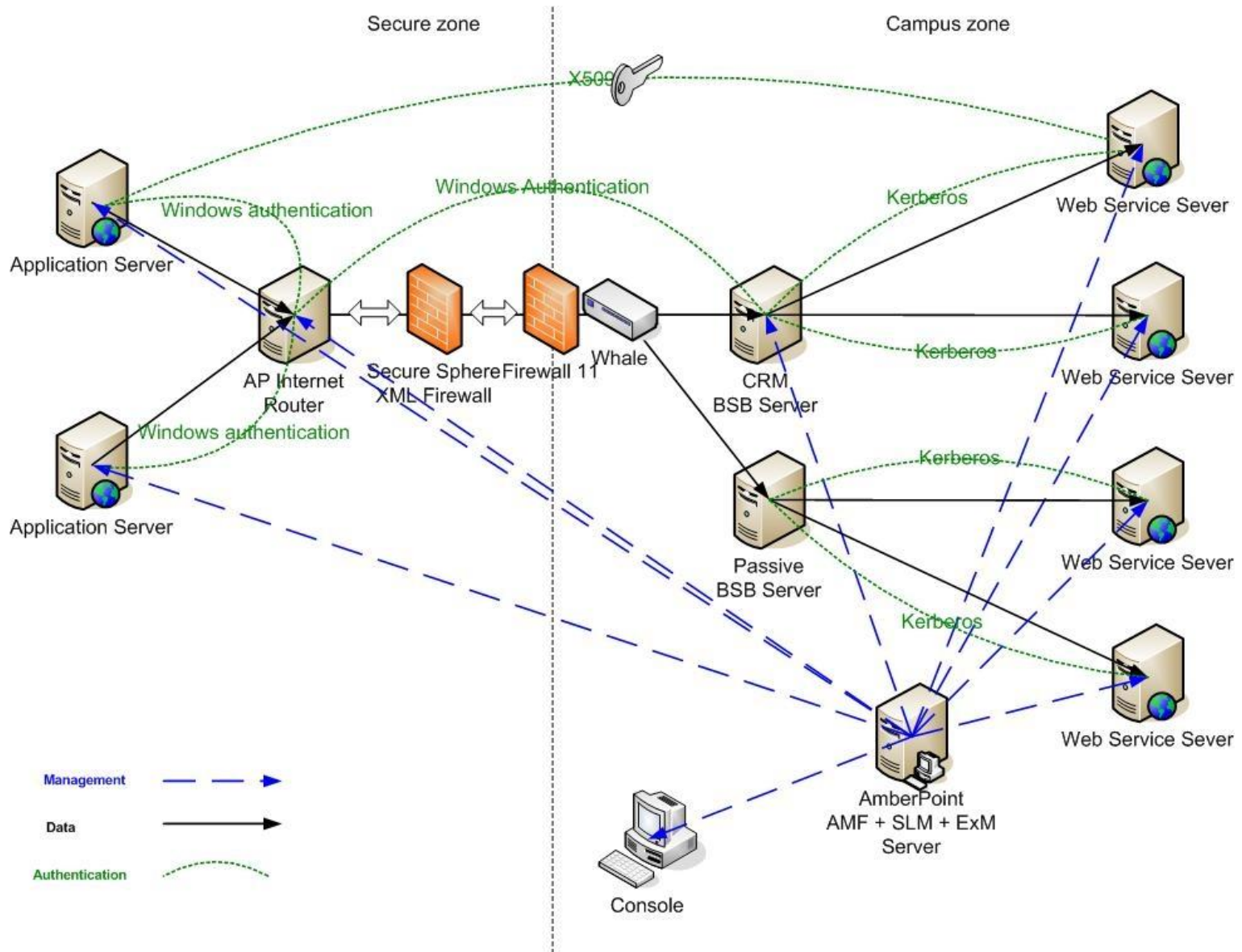


### ESM met key requirements

- ◆ Message content control
- ◆ Content dependant encryption
- ◆ Routing depending on content and context
- ◆ Real-time dashboards

### Services consumers

# ● Bank Leumi Security Gateway





# ● Content Guard Security Pattern



- ◆ Ability to Activate Policies for Short Durations
- ◆ Leverage WS-Policy Security Policies
  - Authorization
  - Authentication
- ◆ Allow Temporary Access to Systems and Services for Important, Irregular Situations
  - Coalition Partners
  - Other Branches of the Service (if you absolutely HAVE to 😊)

# Orange Meeting large scale requirements



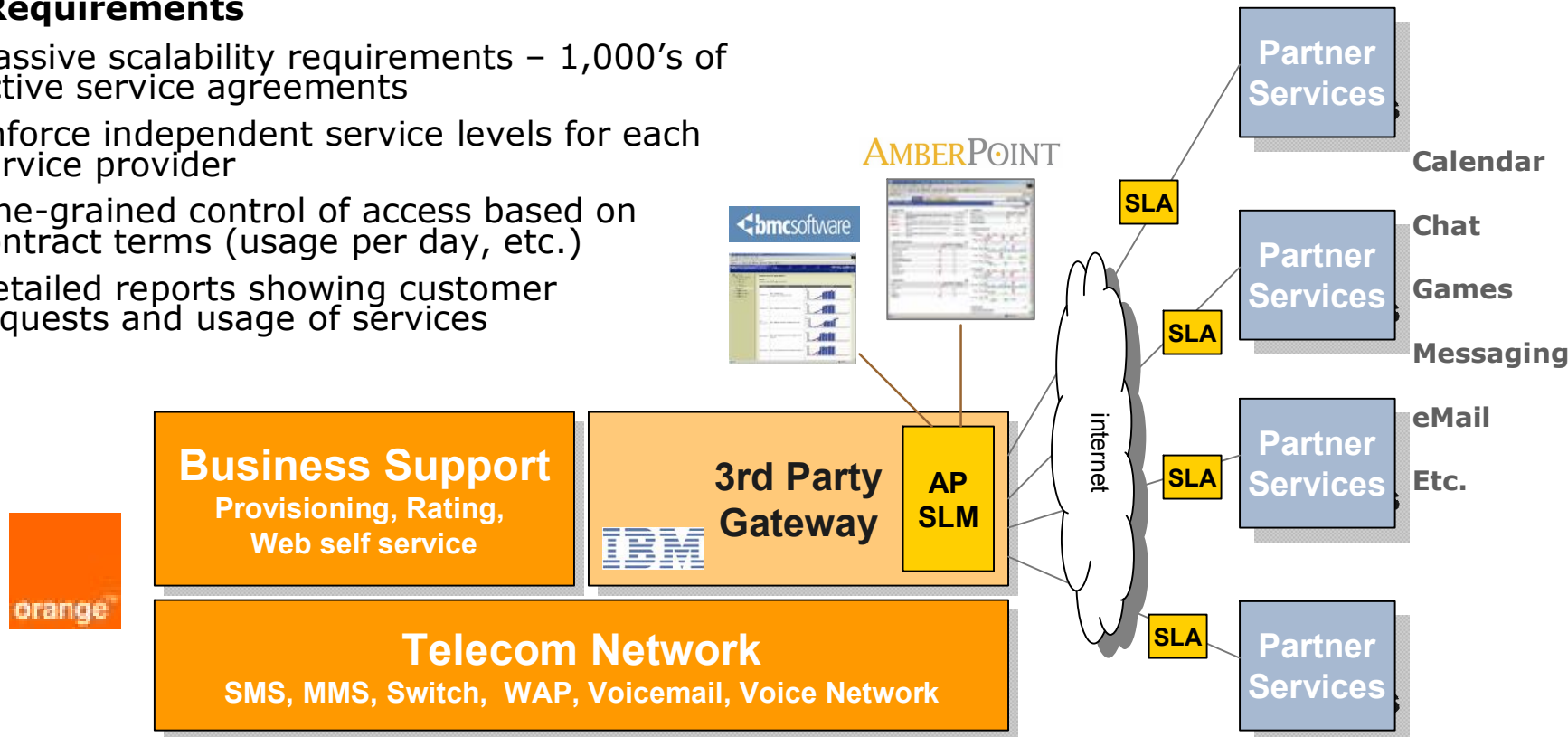
## Telecommunications

### Use of Service-oriented Applications

2<sup>nd</sup> largest European mobile provider (20€ B) that is moving to Web services as the standard interface for external mobile services such as calendaring, chat, games, messaging, etc.

### Key Requirements

- ◆ Massive scalability requirements – 1,000's of active service agreements
- ◆ Enforce independent service levels for each service provider
- ◆ Fine-grained control of access based on contract terms (usage per day, etc.)
- ◆ Detailed reports showing customer requests and usage of services



# ● H & R Block Financial Services

## Intelligent Real-Time Data Mining



## Financial Services

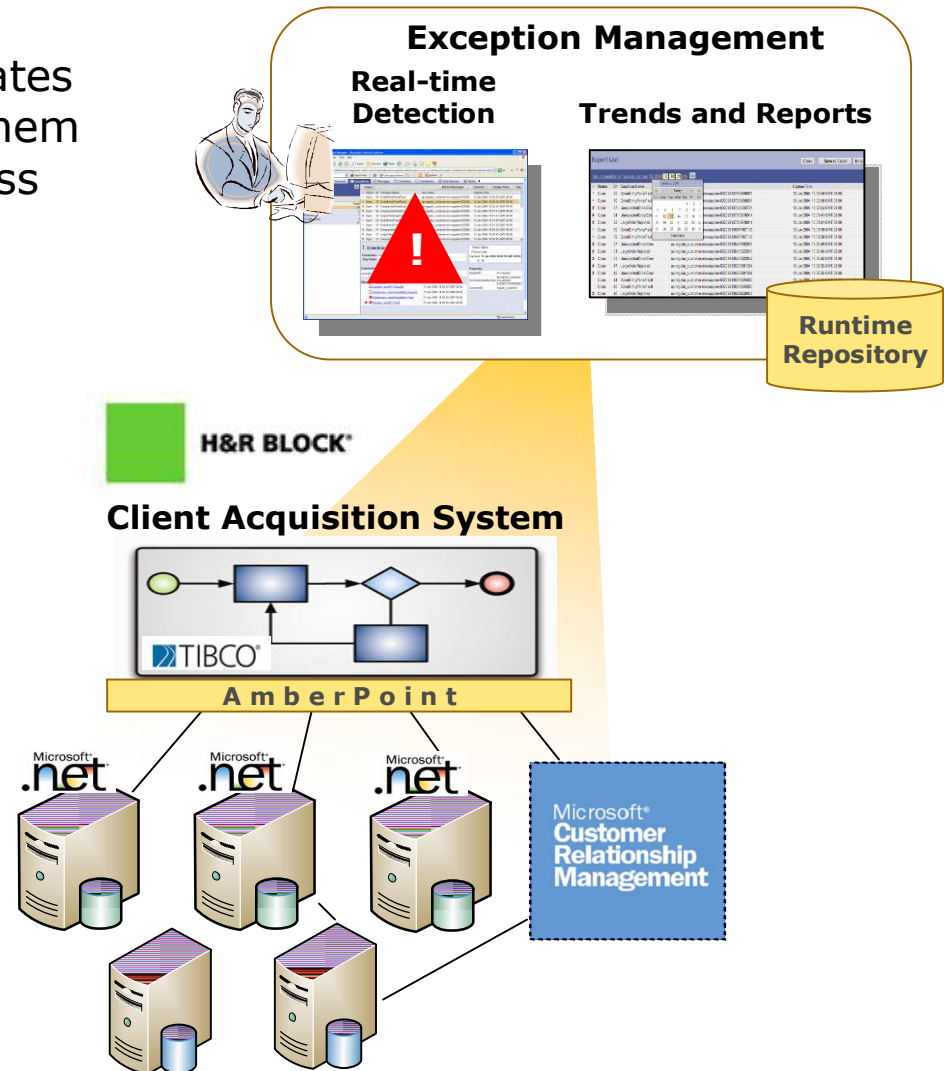
Client Acquisition System (CAS) aggregates leads from different systems, qualifies them and routes to branches based on business criteria.

### Key Requirements

- ◆ Managed high-throughput environment – up to 5,000,000 msgs per day
- ◆ Captured and centrally logged process instance from end-to-end for debugging
- ◆ Eliminated need for developers to code custom error handling logic – services concentrate on business problem
- ◆ Used to handle business- and operations-level exceptions

### Results

- ◆ Allowed reduction of support staff from 10 down to 3
- ◆ Allowed architect to mandate uniform error-handling guidelines
- ◆ 20% reduction in development costs



# ● Summary – Collective Wisdom



- ◆ If you use Traditional Management Tools and Techniques alone, you will fail because Traditional Management is an Operations Problem and SOA Management is an Application Problem

As a Result, the SOA Management System will be Monitored by your Operations Staff but Used by your Development and Tier II/Tier III Staffs to solve problems that they would otherwise have to write complex code to fix.

- ◆ Human Nature will derail your attempts to use Design-time Governance (UDDI Registries, etc.) but creative use of ESM can Solve this Issue
- ◆ Things will Break Differently and you won't be able to fix them the way you have been fixing them in the past
- ◆ You can Now do things that you could Never Do Before, especially with Security and Mining Data in Real Time

# ● Did I Accomplish My Objective?



- ◆ Provide you with a few Tips, based upon Real World Experience, that will help you to be successful with Net Centric Computing (SOA)